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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY DECEMBER 12, 2013

Attendees: Chairman E. Ray Weaver, John Anderson, Jane LaMorte, Elizabeth Landry and Burt Wheeler. Also present David R. Ignatowicz, Director, Water Pollution Control and Robert Grasis, WPCA Assistant Director

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MINUTES OF WPCA REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 24, 2013

Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Mrs. Landry made a motion that the Water Pollution Control Authority accepts the minutes of the Water Pollution Control Authority regular meeting held on October 24, 2013 as presented or amended. There was no discussion and the motion passed unanimously (4-0-1) with Ms. LaMorte abstaining.

Chairman Weaver welcomed Jane LaMorte to the Authority.

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION NUMBER ONE PERTAINING TO THE USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS AND THE DISCHARGE OF WATERS AND WASTES INTO PUBLIC SEWERS IN THE TOWN OF VERNON

Ms. LaMorte, seconded by Mr. Wheeler made a motion that the Water Pollution Control Authority, pursuant to Chapter 103, Section 7-247 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, adopts the amendments to the Town of Vernon Regulation Number One Pertaining to the Use of Public Sewers, the Connections to Public Sewers, and the Discharge of Waters and Wastes into Public Sewers in the Town of Vernon, as duly noticed on November 14, 2013 with an effective date of January 15, 2014. Chairman Weaver commented that Mr. Gary Leavitt did a very nice job of putting the proposed amendments together in a very comprehensive and detailed manner. Chairman Weaver said that he liked the fact that the Authority has been brought up to modern times with the language and Mr. Anderson agreed with Chairman Weaver's comments. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT REPORT

Mr. Ignatowicz reported that plant is running well and that flows are relatively low due in part to the closing of Amerbelle and the probability that users are utilizing water saving devices. Removals for BOD and suspended solids are good, he reported, and nitrogen credits will have to be purchased through the end of the year. Mr. Ignatowicz provided background on the nitrogen credit program regarding the Vernon treatment plant. He said that he is continuing to work on an RFQ and RFP

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for phosphorus and nitrogen reduction relative to the upgrade of the treatment facility. He also reported that there is still three operator positions open at the treatment facility and said that the positions have been advertised extensively. Mr. Ignatowicz said that the Quality Assurance Inspection Report was positive for the WAR Unit conducted the week of October 28, 2013 by Siemens' Energy, Inc. He provided history on the unit, explained its function at the treatment facility and provided details of the inspection report. Mr. Ignatowicz said the total cost for this quality assurance report was approximately \$45,000 which included \$11,516 for Siemens' work and \$28,000 for Clean Harbors to pressure wash the interior of the vessel. Mr. Ignatowicz updated the Authority on the status of the 2014-2015 budget preparations and reported that the by-pass was installed for the Phoenix Street pump station. He said that two replacement pumps, with open impellers, have been ordered for that pump station to help with the removal of non-biodegradable disposable bathroom wipes. Chairman Weaver welcomed Mr. Grasis, the new Assistant Director.

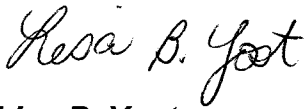
ANY ADDITIONAL ITEMS

None.

ADJOURN

Mr. Wheeler, seconded by Ms. LaMorte, moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0) and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



**Lisa B. Yost
Secretary, Water Pollution Control**